"FLOOD CONTROL THAT INCREASES WATER CONSERVATION"

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Dear Congressman Robert Matsui & Press Secretary Jim Bonham:

Copies of this letter & the enclosed have been mailed to Vice President Al Gore, Congressman John Doolittle & Aide Richard Robinson, CALFED, Mr. Tom Philp (editorial writer for the BEE), and others.

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The Auburn Dam: Not disregarding its failure would kill hundreds and destroy major highway bridges, it will control only 1,250 square miles of the American river basin. The 1,250 square miles is only 4% of the total Sacramento water basin which collects flood flows from 17 counties.

HYPOTHETICALLY; If no water flowed down the American, Sacramento City would flood with a very small precipitation increase in the northern basin over and above the flood years of 1955, 1983, etc.. The heavy American river flows of February 1986 and January 1997 is a real panic, because no one seems to acknowledge the huge sustaining flood flows that comes from over 90% of the Sacramento basin down the Sacramento river from the north. Mother Nature's storm flukes of 1986 & 1997 has all eyes on the American which is a huge mistake. Historically, the heavier storm systems are north of State Highway 20. There are those who will say the American

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